

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following is a complete listing of the claims in this application, reflects all changes currently being made to the claims, and replaces all earlier versions and all earlier listings of the claims:

Claims 1 - 31. (Canceled)

Claim 32. (Currently Amended) An image processing apparatus connected with an external information processing apparatus and a peripheral apparatus via a network, comprising:

sending means for sending a scanner driver to the external information processing apparatus for scanning an image to get data;

obtaining means for obtaining a writing program ~~a scanner driver and a printer driver~~, delivered from the external information processing apparatus;

executing means for executing a scanning process ~~using the scanner driver~~ to obtain data in response to scan request from the scanner driver in the external information processing apparatus sent by said sending means; and

transmitting means for transmitting the data obtained by the scanning process using the obtained writing program,

wherein said transmitting means is controlled ~~executed~~ by the writing program ~~printer driver~~ to cause a print service in the peripheral device to print the data obtained by the scanning process, and

wherein the print service is called remotely using a remote procedure call implemented in the writing program ~~printer driver~~.

Claim 33. (Currently Amended) An image processing apparatus according to claim 32, further comprising driving means for, after obtaining the writing program ~~scanner driver and the printer driver~~, executing the writing program ~~scanner driver and the printer driver~~ in response to completion of preparation of the writing program ~~scanner driver and the printer driver~~ to drive the peripheral device.

Claims 34 and 35. (Canceled)

Claim 36. (Currently Amended) An image processing apparatus according to claim 32, wherein said obtaining means remotely calls a reception program for receiving the writing program ~~scanner driver and the printer driver~~ in the external information processing apparatus via a remote procedure call.

Claim 37. (Currently Amended) A method for controlling an image processing apparatus connected with an external information processing apparatus and a peripheral apparatus via a network, comprising:

a sending step of sending a scanner driver to the external information processing apparatus for scanning an image to get data;

an obtaining step of obtaining a writing program ~~a scanner driver and a printer~~

~~driver~~, delivered from the external information processing apparatus;

an executing step of executing a scanning process ~~using the scanner driver~~ to obtain data in response to scan request from the scanner driver in the external information processing apparatus sent in said sending step; and

a transmitting step of transmitting the data obtained by the scanning process using the obtained writing program,

wherein said transmitting step is controlled ~~executed~~ by the writing program ~~printer driver~~ to cause a print service in the peripheral device to print the data obtained by the scanning process, and

wherein the print service is called remotely using a remote procedure call implemented in the writing program ~~printer driver~~.

Claim 38. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 37, further comprising a driving step of, after obtaining the writing program ~~scanner driver and the printer driver~~, executing the writing program ~~scanner driver and the printer driver~~ in response to completion of preparation of the writing program ~~scanner driver and the printer driver~~ to drive the peripheral device.

Claims 39 and 40. (Canceled)

Claim 41. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 37, wherein said obtaining step includes remotely calling a reception program for receiving the writing program

~~scanner driver and the printer driver~~ in the external information processing apparatus via a remote procedure call.

Claim 42. (Currently Amended) A computer program product comprising a computer-readable storage medium storing a computer program for implementing a method of controlling an image processing apparatus connected with an external information processing apparatus and a peripheral apparatus via a network, wherein the computer program includes:

procedure code for a sending step of sending a scanner driver to the external information processing apparatus for scanning an image to get data;

procedure code for an obtaining step of obtaining a writing program ~~a scanner driver and a printer driver~~, delivered from the external information processing apparatus;

procedure code for an executing step of executing a scanning process ~~using the scanner driver~~ to obtain data in response to scan request from the scanner driver in the external information processing apparatus sent in said sending step; and

procedure code for a transmitting step of transmitting the data obtained by the scanning process using the obtained writing program,

wherein said transmitting step is controlled ~~executed~~ by the writing program ~~printer driver~~ to cause a print service in the peripheral device to print the data obtained by the scanning process, and

wherein the print service is called remotely using a remote procedure call implemented in the writing program ~~printer driver~~.

Claim 43. (Currently Amended) A computer program product according to claim 42, wherein the computer program further includes procedure code for a driving step of, after obtaining the writing program ~~scanner driver and the printer driver~~, executing the writing program ~~scanner driver and the printer driver~~ in response to completion of preparation of the writing program ~~scanner driver and the printer driver~~ to drive the peripheral device.

Claims 44 and 45. (Canceled)

Claim 46. (Currently Amended) A computer program product according to claim 42, wherein the obtaining step includes remotely calling a reception program for receiving the writing program ~~scanner driver and the printer driver~~ in the external information processing apparatus via a remote procedure call.

Claim 47. (Currently Amended) A network system comprising a peripheral device, an ~~information~~ image processing apparatus storing a scanner driver and a printer driver for driving the peripheral device, and an image information processing apparatus storing a writing program for driving the peripheral device,

wherein said information processing apparatus includes:

obtaining means for obtaining the scanner driver from said image processing apparatus;

transfer means for transferring a scan request to said image processing apparatus using the scanner driver obtained by said obtaining means and the printer driver from

~~said information processing apparatus without receiving a request for obtaining the scanner driver and the printer driver from said image processing apparatus,~~

wherein said image processing apparatus includes:

sending means for sending the scanner driver to the information processing apparatus for scanning an image to get data;

obtaining means for obtaining a writing program delivered[[,]] from said information processing apparatus, ~~the scanner driver and the printer driver;~~

executing means for executing a scanning process using the scanner driver to obtain data in response to the scan request from the scanner driver in said information processing apparatus sent by said sending means; and

transmitting means for transmitting the data obtained by the scanning process using the obtained writing program,

wherein said transmitting means is controlled ~~executed~~ by the writing program ~~printer driver~~ to cause a print service in the peripheral device to print the data obtained by the scanning process, and

wherein the print service is called remotely using a remote procedure call implemented in the writing program ~~printer driver~~.

Claims 48 - 55. (Canceled)